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For President-Elect in 1888,
General John A. Logan,
OF ILLINOIS.

COLBY wants a cemetery.
DIGHTON has six practicing physicians.

CARLISLE is the national house speaker.
THERE are still 3,500 acres of school land unsold in Lane county, vociferates the *Herald*.

THE wink of that *Eye* is more lively since the intended starting of a new Republican paper has been announced at Oberlin.

SENATOR SHERMAN was elected president *pro tem*, of the national senate. Only Cleveland's form between him and the presidency.

THE *Courier* has been shown a couple of counterfeit silver dollars, of a lot of some fifteen found on a farm not far from Beloit.

TOPEKA is booming, the *Capital* claims. That organ declares that on Thursday of last week more business was transacted in that city than on any previous day, except during holidays, in the history of the city.

THERE seems to the *Courier* to be scarcity of game in the Beloit market. That paper thinks the combination of farmers to stop promiscuous shooting and hunting on their premises has much to do in preventing the wholesale slaughter of quails and partridge chickens.

IT is claimed that those in authority declare that the U. P. railway company will, at an early date, build a branch line from Oakley, St. John county, to Colby, Thomas county. The *Oakley Opinion* reports surveyors at work on the proposed line, and expresses the belief that Colby will hear the snort of the iron horse this side of June.

FRANK DOUGLASS and wife live at Waconda, Mich. The *Beloit Courier* learns from Frank's brother, Gene, of Solomon Rapids, Mitchell county, this state, that Frank's infant was poisoned a short time ago by being given a dose of "Rough on Rats" by a servant girl. People can hardly begin to be careful enough in guarding against the danger of having preparations used out of the wrong bottle.

LEE, of the Lane County *Herald* is getting mixed up with the railway corporations. We rather regret to see this. When he was poor like the rest of us he was a capital good fellow, but palace-car riding is apt to puff people way up. That paper says: "A private letter from the vice president of this (the Wichita and Colorado) road to the proprietor of the *Herald* states that the road will be built through Lane county and on west to Colorado."

OUR friend, Captain Charlesworth, of Beloit, is at home on a leave of absence. The *Courier* of last week has this to say of him: "Capt. Charlesworth's lecture, descriptive of the Maderia Island and Funchal, its capital, at the rink, on Wednesday night of last week, was well received by a fair audience. His residence there as consul gave him excellent opportunity to study the character of its people, and he portrays their customs very lucidly."

THERE is talk of A. G. McBride taking another move. The report is that he will go this time from Kirwin to Oberlin for the purpose of starting a new paper. Mc's orbit in journalism is eccentric, but his brilliancy makes him worth looking after anyway. His brother, W. H., the esteemed representative in the legislature from Phillips county, seems to have an interest in the plant. It is unknown, however, at these headquarters whether he will go to Oberlin.

IT is reported as one of the current facts that the Democrats are going to force the attention of congress to the Fitz John Porter case this winter. It is more than passing strange that a body which elects Stalwart John Sherman its president by a decided majority contains a sufficient number of admirers of this traitor Porter to vote for his restoration to rank in the army. Thanks to the loyalty of the Northern people, General Logan is still on deck to do his duty in this case as a senator!

THE *Opinion* just mounts its high horse and rides with the fury of a northern blast, so to speak, because the Grinnell *Golden Belt* declared, or was supposed to have declared, that untaken government claims were plentiful within three miles of Oakley. The *Opinion* retorts: "The truth is, the public domain in a circle of seven or more miles around Oakley is taken solidly; not an acre of in any way desirable land can be taken by virtue of the homestead, pre-emption, timber culture or school-land laws."

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

We appeal to the sense of the WESTERN KANSAS WORLD readers as to whether we do not fill the bill in furnishing a complete weekly journal of news.

Not one Kansas weekly in six will have the president's message this week. The *World* gives it to you in full, although not a daily paper in the country published it before Wednesday. We will drop the hint that this message, in all its ponderosity, did not come to us without our having made arrangements looking to the certainty of its doing so.

Considering the contents of the message, it is pronounced the longest document of the kind which has been sent out for a dozen years past. Perhaps, in point of literary quality, it is an average paper of the kind.

For the present, the *World* will merely call attention to the position of the president on the Chinese question. Mr. Cleveland, we venture to assert, is sincere. He handles the question as the vexed problem that it is. At the same time, we believe that the president takes an ultra view in favor of the Chinaman.

The writer claims to be informed, at least fairly, concerning the condition of the Chinese in their main stamping ground, in San Francisco. In or close to the heart of that great commercial emporium, the Chinese have literally stunk the white people out of several blocks, and hold the buildings from several stories down in the ground to the top. The condition of the Chinese in these dark cellars beneath cellars is one of perpetual filth, darkness, opium smoking, unpunished murder and other crime. In many of the rooms there are two reliefs of sleepers in the God-forsaken cots, one relief rising in the middle of the night and tramping about from then till morning, while the other relief sleeps.

These Chinamen undermine white labor by driving it from the field or compelling the laborers to become as stinkingly depraved as the Chinamen themselves. Furthermore, whatever money the Chinese save is sent back to China, instead of being used for the benefit of America. Of the general truth of these utterances, the position of the people of the Pacific coast on the Chinese question is convincing evidence. The Japanese are welcomed in San Francisco by the whites. Why? They are scrupulously clean in their habits, take up American customs and are courteous in their deportment.

Like the president, we deprecate such massacres of Chinamen as the recent one at Rock Springs was. But the state of things of which we have given a dim outline caused that massacre. Conservatism in dealing with this question is to be commended; but too much conservatism persisted in on the part of the general government will bring about, in the near future, the speedy destruction of every China man, woman and child in the Pacific coast states. Then the attempted seceding of those states from the general government will be the natural result of the interference of the latter. Business is stagnated in San Francisco. The whites attribute this condition to the Chinese. Thousands of men in that city are crying for the blood of the Chinese.

On a recent Sunday—we do not know how much oftener—they met on the Sand Lots, and called on the county coroner, a man who is indebted largely to this class, to lead in an attack against the Chinese. The coroner is an agitator, but he refused to do this at this time. He persuaded them to wait. On this occasion, these thousands of men were armed.

Congress and the president can modify the enormity of this withering curse on the Pacific coast. They have it in their power to provide

absolutely against the admission into our ports of any more Chinese immigration. They have it in their power to provide for the forcible emigration of the Chinese in a ratio exceeding the probable number of births in this country within their ranks.

KANSAS PATENTS.

S. A. Hazeltine & Bro., patent solicitors, Springfield, Mo., send the *World* the following list of patents which were issued to citizens of Kansas during the past week:

Edward T. Martin, Concordia, paper bag holder.

Richard J. McCarty, Fort Scott, velocimeter.

Daniel H. Rhodes, Topeka, combined railway track gauge and level.

TURNED PHILOSOPHER.

We never knew friend Caldwell, of the *Beloit Courier*, to try to act the philosopher until last week. His eldest daughter, Miss Oral, had been riding a donkey—a low one—the Saturday before, and the mean beast ran off with her, and for a time it was kicking and jumping and having a tempest of a time, while the unwilling rider was hanging to the saddle horn by her riding skirt. Strange to say, the lady was not very seriously injured. Now hear her father:

We feel thankful to Heaven that her life was spared, as it was a closer call than we care to experience again. Shall we forbid her riding horseback any more? No. This sad experience has taught her the great lesson that every person ought to understand—that the only animal you don't have to watch is one that don't breathe. She will, probably, never again be off guard, and always ready to get out of danger while enjoying the exhilarating exercise of horseback riding.

You see Colonel Caldwell has been made a regent of the State Normal school, at Emporia; hence, presumably, his philosophy.

HOMESTEAD CLAIMANTS.

A Washington dispatch of the 7th inst. mentions the fact that much apprehension has been manifested in the West in respect to the scope of Land Commissioner Sparks's recent decision to the effect that homestead claimants who have previously had the benefit of the pre-emption act can not commute their homestead claim.

Members of congress have received many letters on the subject indicating a widespread fear that this decision was to be made retro-active, which would have the effect of upsetting the titles to many claims which had passed, by purchase, in to the hands of third parties. Senator Van Wyck, of Nebraska, on behalf of many of his constituents, recently made inquiry of Gen. Sparks in regard to the matter, and was informed that the decision will, unless reversed by higher authority, be a guide for the future action of land officers, but that the commissioner is not inclined to go into the actions of his predecessors nor interfere with claims which have already been secured under former rulings of the land office in this regard, unless fraud is shown to have been perpetrated in securing such claim.

NOT THE AGENTS' FAULT.

About nine-tenths of the advertising agencies seem to have an idea that the weekly papers in the West are so hard up for advertising that they will accept any offer made them. [Live Stock Indicator.] What hardens the cheek of these advertisers is the fact that a very large number of the newspapers of the state willingly, nay joyfully, accept their advertising propositions just as they are received. A cool piece of advertising frontistry is the proposition just received from a Florida chap who proposes, for a fragment of some shrub, an alleged sample of mistletoe—which he encloses, that we give his paper a long notice—a puff of Florida in general—and an advertisement of his mistletoe business—all for this precious piece of Florida weed—[Kansas Ag. College Industrialist.]

Both of our esteemed contemporaries are correct.

We have about as little as the next one to do with advertising agents. Nevertheless, we venture, on this occasion to defend them. A great many papers will take ads. for a mere song. The ad. agents know this. They know that if low-price

publishers' space was worth more, more would be charged. The ad. agent, therefore, contracts the natural habit of sending low offers to some worthy papers. When the publisher tells him that the price is too low, he almost invariably raises it.

Excessive rates for advertising are not to be encouraged, but the low-rate publisher generally has a very defective circulation, gets up a poor literary department, and really charges too much for his space. The publisher who offers to do home advertising for fifty dollars a column offers to work below living rates. But he charges too much. His low estimate of the value of his own off-printing proves this. Hence it is that the cheapest advertising is the dearest.

BORIN WRONG.

Congressman Hanback is billed for a lecture Thanksgiving night at Osborne, for the benefit of the Moravian church. We never had supposed that there was any danger of Hanback dying with early piety. We begin to fear the worst.—[WA-KEENEY WORLD.]

Strange, isn't it, how great minds run in the same channels! We read the identical words above quoted as an original paragraph in the *Leavenworth Times*. But perhaps the *Times* stole it from the *World*.—[Oberlin Eye.]

And perhaps, after all, you're Borin in the wrong direction. We tell you now that the *Leavenworth Times* did steal that item from the *World*. It was entirely original with Tilton's pen. A comparison of the date of its appearance in the *World* with the time it appeared in the *Times* will convince any one of this, if our word is not good. Now, if you are not satisfied, we will appeal to Col. Anthony for a decision.

DEVILTRY AT DIGHTON.

"Dead or Decamped" is the somewhat-sensational headline number one of an article in last week's Lane County *Herald*. After the smoke has been cleared away enough to admit of the eyes growing fairly bright, the point appears clear that G. G. Browne, a recent contractor and builder, banking on a pleasant address and good looks, swindled various Dighton people out of about \$2,000, and left behind about fifty dollars' worth of property. Browne went to Wichita, ostensibly to buy a bill of furniture; on starting, he had four or five teams sent to Garden City to get his goods. The goods never came. And, after a while, the depth of Browne's cunning dawned by degrees on the Dightonians. Foul play is suspected by a limited number—a number composed, perhaps, of the unhappy creditors, who think they have been hit hard enough, even if Browne has shuffled off this mortal coil.

The settlers in the western part of Thomas county, news the *Tom Cat*, are complaining bitterly of the depredations of range cattle which have drifted in from the northwest. We'll bet a wooden nutmeg that those are Jim Gresson's cattle from Atwood.—[WA-KEENEY WORLD.] You've lost the meg. Our cattle have not taken a step outside a fenced pasture for nine months. Anyhow, Tilton, it's mean to attempt to create a disturbance between neighbors.—[Atwood Citizen, Jim Gresson's Organ.]

THE *Wa-Keeney World* is enlarged to a seven column quarto. Tilton is a progressive old rooster.—[Phillipsburg Herald.] Here, what are you giving us? That is a pretty way to talk about a tender spring chicken just because he persists in showing that he acknowledges no local competition in the newspaper field!

A MEETING for the purpose of considering the feasibility of organizing Lane county, the *Herald* says, will be held at Dighton on December 12—that's to-day—at 1 o'clock p. m. A full representation from all parts of the county is called for

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